

Paignton Academy Believe and Achieve



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Welcome

A warm welcome back to all our pupils and a particular warm welcome to our full cohort of Year 7 pupils. Paignton Academy continues to grow: we now have well over 1600 pupils at the school, which is great news. I have been really impressed this week with how our pupils have come back to school ready to learn: the reason why all pupils go to school in the first place. The overwhelming majority are now in full school uniform and I want to thank our parents/guardians for their support on this. Parents and guardians will have no doubt noticed that the school has changed its email addresses over the summer holidays. This was part of our migration to the Single Network used by our Trust, Thinking Schools Academy Trust. This means that we have moved from using Google and Gmail to Office 365. Pupils' laptops in Years 10-11 will soon be handed out as they have had to be re-configured over the summer holidays. For our Year 11s, they are now in the final year of their time at Paignton Academy and their focus needs to be on the upcoming mock exams (which start in November), completing coursework elements and getting prepared for the final, national, examinations next summer. We will of course be working closely with this year group to ensure that they are as fully prepared as possible for these important examinations. Thanking you for your support as always, *Mr Williams*

Welcome to all our Students!

We are excited to welcome all our students back to Paignton Academy this week for the start of the Autumn term.

We also extend a warm welcome to our new Year 7 students, who have settled in wonderfully this week and are looking very smart in their school uniforms.

We are looking forward to another exciting school term!











PAIGNTON ACADEMY Offers **FREE BREAKFAST** TO ALL STUDENTS



School Musical

We are thrilled to announce that the Creative Arts Faculty will be presenting The Little Mermaid Jr. as our school musical!

We encourage as many of you as possible to participate!

Auditions took place earlier this week and we can't wait to go under the sea with this production!



Breakfast Club

Join us at Paignton Academy's FREE Breakfast Club, available at both of our sites.

Students can be dropped off starting at 8:00 am. We provide toast with various toppings, along with juice, and offer games and books for our students to enjoy. It's important to have a full engine to achieve our goals, and we want to support our students in every way we can.

















Extra-Curricular Clubs

We are excited to announce our extra-curricular clubs for the Autumn Term! These clubs give students a great chance to learn new skills and make new friends.

We welcome students of all ages and abilities to join us, whether it's for fun or to proudly represent Paignton Academy and beyond.

We also offer Non-PE Extra Curricular clubs at both of our sites. A full list of these clubs can also be found on our website under 'Student Life'.

https://www.paigntonacademy.org/

A quick note that **Year 7 Boys Rugby** takes place on Tuesday nights at Borough Road until 4:15pm. We are looking for more players and we hope to see many more of you next week!



No need to book in advance simply come to the club of your choice at either site and join right

We look forward to seeing many students participating.



Autumn Menu!

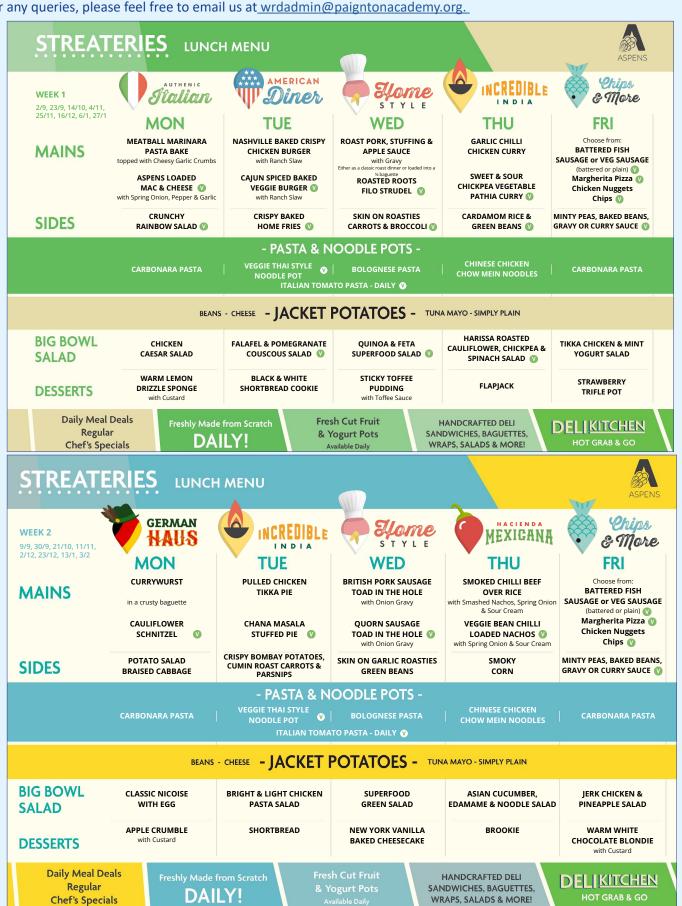
Get ready for the delicious new Autumn Term menu from Aspens!

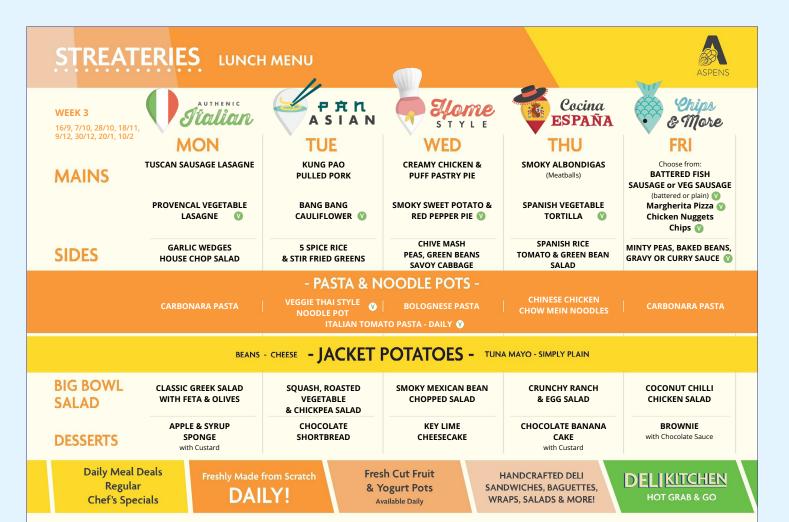
Check out the 3-week rolling menu that will be available for purchase in our canteens starting September 2024.

To purchase lunch, students can keep their ParentPay account topped up or use the cash machines located in our canteens.

Finger scans for Year 7 students were conducted during their inductions in July. If they missed this, students will be able to have their scans taken this term.

For any queries, please feel free to email us at wrdadmin@paigntonacademy.org.





Dates for Your Diary	
Tuesday/Wednesday 24/25th September	Year 9 LEAP residential
Tuesday 1st October	Open Morning - Waterleat Road
Thursday 3rd October	Open Evening - Borough Road Centre
	Year 11 photos
Tuesday 8th October	Year 7 Settling-in Evening
Tuesday 15th October	KS4 Aspirations Evening
28th October - 4th November inclusive	Half Term
Wednesday 13th November - Friday 22nd November	Year 11 PPEs
Thursday 12th December	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas concert
Friday 20th December	Last day of the Autumn term
Monday 6th January 2025	First day of Spring term